

GRAFT HUNTERS FOR PREACHERS MAY BE INDICTED

Chicago Police Gather
150 in Raid on Criminal Haunts.

Ministers Have Some Evidence, But Paid \$1,400 for False Testimony.

CHICAGO, March 21.—A general raid today, which resulted in the arrest of more than 150 alleged crooks and criminal characters, the majority of whom, according to the police, have records as one of the results of the expose of the alleged blackmailing of preachers.

Indictments are expected against four of the men said to have been involved in the plot to fleece the Rev. Morton Culver Hertzell and his associates out of hundreds of dollars for evidence of alleged graft and crookedness of city officials.

State's Attorney Healey declared today the grand jury had completed its work in the scandal so far as hearing the testimony and passing upon it was concerned.

Four Indictments Expected.

The indictments have been voted on, it is said, and will be returned at the Monday session against the following: Walter Gehrke, nineteen years old, said to have been used to explore the red light district to find Mayor Busse or Alderman Foreman there and spy upon their movements.

James Mullane, ex-convict, said to have betrayed his comrades.

James R. Maroon, ex-convict, with a record as confidence man and black-mailer, credited with being leader of the gang.

Harry Schlinder, alias Burton, first of the gang to be employed by Mr. Hertzell as an investigator.

Preachers to Roast Police.

Sensational sermons will be preached by a number of leading ministers tomorrow morning in reply to the action of the police in arresting the men employed by the preachers to secure evidence of grafting against city officials.

The clergymen declare they have abundant evidence of the collection of tribute from inmates of disorderly houses, gambling-house keepers and other violators of the law, to cause indictments to be returned against high police officials and others.

The ministers admit they were trapped into paying about \$1,400 for spurious evidence, including a book purporting to contain records of fraudulent coal contracts between the Busse Coal Company and city officials, but they have procured genuine evidence of official corruption to amaze Chicago. They have not announced when the disclosures of their discoveries will be made. State's Attorney Healey has agreed to submit to the grand jury any bona fide evidence obtainable.

DISTRICT CANDIDATES HOLD CONFERENCE

Mystery was the principal element in the Washington political mix-up all day yesterday.

In the afternoon a conference was held in the office of Sidney Pieber, chairman of the board of elections, at which the Flather-Horner and the Burt-Patterson tickets were present. This conference was a surprise, in view of the attempt made Friday by the Burt-Patterson party to have Pieber discharged from the chairmanship of the board of elections because of his alleged favoritism of the Flather-Horner ticket, his supposed candidacy for the place of national committeeman, and the attack on him by Senator Carter in the Senate.

Parties at the conference refused to discuss it except to say that it was a preliminary review and discussion of the political situation, and some debate over the rules for holding the primaries. There is to be a second conference this week, it is understood.

When it was suggested that the meeting yesterday was a love-feast between the rival factions, those present smiled, and would say nothing about it.

TWO HURT BY RUNAWAY; HORSE ALSO IS INJURED

Jacob Guiliant, of 247 New Jersey avenue, and Joseph Maletti, of 103 Pennsylvania avenue, bystanders, were run over and injured by a runaway team which took momentary possession of a portion of New Jersey avenue yesterday afternoon.

The horse, which belongs to the Merchants' Transfer Company, became frightened while passing New Jersey avenue and C street. Colliding with a dirt cart, he became detached from the wagon and began a wild dash up New Jersey avenue.

There was a great scattering of the populace, which thronged the thoroughfare at that time, and in the rush, Maletti and Guiliant failed to move fast enough. The former was injured about the head and left shoulder. Maletti was cut and bruised about the scalp, elbows, lips, and nose. A number of other pedestrians had narrow escapes.

The runaway horse was captured above First street and the avenue and was himself so badly injured that he was taken to the stables in a wagon.

Paolucci Faces Execution; Calls for Girl in Sleep; President Refuses Pardon



JOSEPH PAOLUCCI,
Who Still Hopes That a Pardon May Save His Life.

Italian, Suffering From Consumption, Not Afraid of Gallows.

Gaunt and emaciated, Joseph Paolucci, convicted of slaying his sweetheart, last night paced his cell and mingled prayers for forgiveness with protestations of love for his little victim.

President Roosevelt yesterday refused to commute the sentence of death imposed by Judge Barnard, and the prisoner must be hanged tomorrow between 10 o'clock in the morning and 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Warden Harris has summoned a score or more of witnesses to appear at the gall at the first named hour, and it is believed the trap will be sprung before 10:30 o'clock.

Since his conviction by a jury March 8 of the murder of Elizabeth Dodge before her mother's eyes, Paolucci, who set up the plea that his mind was unbalanced by jealousy, has been growing steadily weaker. Close confinement in the District jail has caused the white plague to make rapid inroads on his constitution, and for some weeks no hope has been entertained for him even though a respite were granted at the eleventh hour.

On the eve of his execution Paolucci seems hopeful, although the President refused to commute his sentence. He has lived on hope for many months, but last night his spiritual advisers bade him make his peace with the world.

No Ground for Clemency.

The Department of Justice, to which the President referred Paolucci's case, recommended that the law be permitted.

NAVY DISMISSALS ALARM MECHANICS

Eighteen Molders Discharged From Yard Without Notice.

Consternation was spread in the Washington Navy Yard yesterday afternoon by the discharge, without previous notice, of eighteen iron molders. All has been serene at the big naval gun foundry since the reinstatement of the large number of men discharged several weeks ago, and this new discharge had the effect of a bombshell. There is universal apprehension lest the discharge spread, and the present arrangement of furnishing all the men a given number of days be abandoned.

The tickets given to the discharged molders are similar to those passed out when the yard was so unsettled before, and the men are restless, and fear that the yard officials may discharge them despite the arrangement made by the President and the Navy Department that caused the reinstatement several weeks ago of all the men discharged. At that time, John Simmering, a machinist at the yard, through calling up the President and soliciting his aid, obtained an order stopping the discharges, and James O'Connell, president of the International Association of Machinists, and Emmett L. Adams, president of Federal Lodge, secured from the department the adoption of the furlough system.

This has worked smoothly until yesterday afternoon. The men laid off were not notified until ten minutes before they quit work for the day.

his right side. The girl died instantly. Paolucci was taken to the Casualty Hospital and after several weeks' treatment was discharged and turned over to the police, although because of the advanced stage of his pulmonary trouble, the bullet was never extracted.

During his incarceration in the jail Paolucci has slept but little. Every night he has rolled over on his right side, and the excruciating pain caused him to utter piteous moans. Jail attendants say he has eaten barely enough to keep body and soul together.

Calls for Girl in Sleep.

For the last two or three weeks he has awakened nightly with a start and called out, "Elizabeth! Elizabeth! where are you?" Some time ago a photograph of the slain girl was printed in The Times. Paolucci cut this out of the paper and sent it to his mother in Italy, telling his parent how much he loved his victim.

Although Paolucci has no relatives in America, many of his countrymen have visited him daily and kept him well supplied with fruit and papers. These he distributed to his fellow-prisoners, asking them to pray for him in return for the favor.

Since the death watch was put over Paolucci he has grown more restless than ever and evinced a great desire to spend as much time as possible in the company of the two Catholic priests who visit him. The Rev. Joseph I. Maguire was a frequent visitor at the jail and when the priest died recently Paolucci wept and said "I've lost my best friend."

The doomed man occupies cell No. 1 in the south wing of the jail. Guiteau, the assassin of President Garfield, and many other murderers occupied this death chamber.

Hear Mr. Chester R. Spencer MUSIC DEPT.

Sing the Popular Songs in Our (SECOND FLOOR)
The musical public of Washington is well acquainted with Mr. Spencer, who was formerly connected with S. Kann, Sons & Co. He now has charge of our new Music Department on the second floor, and is ably assisted by MR. ARTHUR MANVILLA, Washington's premier pianist. We're completely stocked with the latest successes in sheet music and invite your early presence.

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The success of this sale has been the result of the exclusive character of the suits involved as well as of the irresistible price-appeal. The suits are easily recognized by women of judgment in matters of dress as distinctly superior in design and tailoring. The models included are pronounced favorites—such as: dame Butterfly, Prince Chap, Pony, and the new Dip Cutaway. The price is below regular wholesale quotations.

Most prominent among the materials are panamas, imported mannish suitings, pin stripes, stripes. Plain colors include blue, brown, leather, Copenhagen and black. The novelty patterns well as touches of moire and taffeta silk. A good assortment of plain tailored models also. Every suit is carefully tailored to insure graceful fit and shape retention. You'll buy from where—and get your money's worth at that. Note that there is no extra charge for necessary alterations at \$12.95.

Wash Goods at Notable Reductions

15c Dress Gingham 8 3/4c

We do not remember of a better opportunity to say on the staple brands of Dress Gingham. The vast assortment offered tomorrow includes such well known kinds as A. F. C., Everett Classics, Normande, and Red Seal. A complete range of new patterns—checks, stripes, plaids—in all the desirable colors, as well as plain shades. Yard, 50c.

15c "Likalinen" = 11 1/2c

"Likalinen" is the most successful imitation of real linen yet produced. It looks like the fine imported weaves, and washes and wears splendidly. Warranted fast color. Choice of Alice, light blue Copenhagen, navy, champagne, tan, russet, brown, pink, and lavender.

25c "Merry Widow" 15c

In the wonderful cotton fabric are reproduced the smartest patterns of the all-wool imported cloths. In fact it takes a close examination to distinguish this material from wool. Another important feature—it launders excellently.

12 1/2c Cannon Cloth = 7 1/4c

White Cannon Cloth has become a standard material for making wash garments, and combines a linen-like appearance with superior service. Tomorrow we reduce our yard wide grade, which is thoroughly steam shrunk and linen-finished.

These are the most fashionable fabrics for spring wear. Every new and smart pattern is shown in all the proper colors. Most of the light checks, plaids, and stripes. Several high-grade weaves, in widths of 48 and 54 inches, reduced for Monday to yard, 37c.

The expert weavers of France have produced no more acceptable fabrics than these: crisp, uniform, dainty. Patterned in the self stripes that are sought after everywhere for Easter dresses. Choice of black, navy, and brown. These voiles were imported to sell for \$1.69. Special, 98c.

We have established an incomparable record for underselling in

Hair Goods

Here you'll find everything necessary to the methods of hair dressing—all of superior quality, and all offered at decisive savings. Tomorrow's specials are:

Set of four puffs of real hair in the natural shades..... 49c

Set of eight puffs of real hair in the natural shades..... 98c

Wavy Hair Switches, in shades to match nature's own; 24 inches long; the quality that most stores sell for \$3.00. One \$1.49 day only..... 25c

24-inch Hair Balls of light, fluffy quality, covered with invisible net. Special..... 25c

Pure Linen Table Damask \$1.50 Grade 89c

Genuine Austrian Double Damask, with rich satin face; one of the best weaves produced. Every thread is linen, and every yard is perfect. Note that this width is 72 inches. It is the first time you've ever had the chance to buy it at 89c.

12 1/2c yard-wide Chamolles finished English Longcloth, a soft, reliable quality for the best kind of home sewing. Yard..... 64c

Lot of \$1.50 White Crocheted Bed Spreads of heavy close quality, designed in a number of beautiful Marcellise effects. Double bed size..... 89c

Monday reduction on ten pieces of fine Huck Toweling worth up to 10c yard. Close-up woven, quick drying kind, strictly perfect..... 44c

Splendid quality 2c Mercerized Madras, in a number of new self-figured patterns. This popular material we reduce tomorrow to..... 11 1/2c

The well-known Barnsley All-Whiten Towing Cloth, one of the best grades made. Sold everywhere at 12 1/2c. Yard..... 84c

10c Bird's-eye Diaper Cloth, 20 inches wide. Sanitary and antiseptic grade; closely woven and strictly perfect. Yard..... 44c

"Klosfit" Petticoats \$1.50 to \$2.00

This skirt is the highest attaining idea, and will appeal to who is critical of her appearance. It is a question of finding a hat to suit you; you'll find so many to your liking that it's hard to choose the most becoming. Detailed description of all the styles would mean a list of the assemblage is the best and most varied every shown in Washington. Other stores sell these hats at \$8, \$10, \$12, and \$15.

Lustrous Black Taffeta \$1.50 to \$3

Brilliant Black Princess Cloth \$2.00

Many elaborate founcing effects, including embroidered ruffles.

Silk Petticoats \$5.00

Regular \$7.50 Grades

To be right, the silk underskirt must not only be well made and showy in design, but most important of all, must be made of strictly dependable materials. Tomorrow we offer petticoats made of best taffeta silk at the popular price of \$5.00; not one is worth less than \$7.50. Choose from:

All-silk Black Petticoats, with full umbrella ruffles, and deep embroidered flounce.

All-silk Colored Petticoats, including green, navy, and changeable effects, with umbrella flounces in three sections and pure silk underruffle.

Dress Goods and Silks A Bargain List That Is Characteristic of Our Underselling Policy.

All-Wool Suitings, Worth Up to \$1.00..... 37c

\$1.69 French Voiles, 48 Inches Wide..... 98c

19-Inch Guaranteed Black Taffeta, 34c Worth 75c..... 34c

Gold Medal 36-inch Taffeta, \$1.50 Quality..... 93c

"Gold Medal" silk is famed everywhere for its exceptional wearing qualities, as well as its brilliant finish. We guarantee every yard. Choice of black and all colors, including coral and amethyst. Full yard wide, yard, 98c.

These Are Our Most Popular Offerings in Exquisite Trimmed Hats \$4.95 \$7.95 \$9.95

The beautiful creations which we show at these prices ably demonstrate the fact that exclusive headwear can be produced at moderate cost, when our unlimited buying facilities are possible. The three groups comprise over five hundred distinct models, every one a masterpiece of the milliner's art. It's not a question of finding a hat to suit you; you'll find so many to your liking that it's hard to choose the most becoming. Detailed description of all the styles would mean a list of the assemblage is the best and most varied every shown in Washington. Other stores sell these hats at \$8, \$10, \$12, and \$15.

Children's All-Wool White Serge Reefers \$3.00 Garments at \$1.98

These stylish little reefers are of just the proper weight for spring wear, and are designed with the utmost care. The material is all-wool white twilled serge, thoroughly shrunken. Made in double-breasted style, trimmed with six fancy buttons. Collar and cuffs are finished with dainty silk bands. The tailoring is above criticism. The reefers will look just as well months from now as they do when first put on. Sizes 2 to 6 years. \$3.00 value, \$1.98.

Children's Smartly Tailored Reefers of red cloth, double breasted, with box backs. Finished with double pockets, velvet collar and cuffs and fancy buttons. Special..... \$2.50

Infants' White Bedford Cord Coats, made with full roll collars, with deep ruffles attached. Trimmed with silk braids and ribbons. \$1.50 values..... \$1.00

Women's 39c and 50c Lisle Vests 25c

The first undershirt sale of women's spring and summer underwear—a chance to save which will appeal to all economical women. These vests are exactly knit of best lisle thread, and are finished with silk tape and wide lace edge. The faults are hardly noticeable (mostly small oil spots) and do not affect the wear in the least. Special, 25c.

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The reliable 25c Purson Stockings for women, knit with absolutely no seams. Factory "seconds," but practically faultless, pair..... 17c

Children's 15c Ribbed Stockings in all sizes. Extra well made with double knees, heels and toes. Special..... 10c

Women's 25c Gauze Lisle Hose 15c

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